

Testimony of Angela Farnsworth

In support of

LD 1799 An Act to Expand Maine's High-quality Early Learning and Care for Children by Increasing Public Preschool Opportunities in Communities

Senator Rafferty, Representative Brennan, and distinguished members of the Education and Cultural Affairs Committee, my name is Angela Farnsworth. I am a parent, and I live in Richmond. I'm testifying in support of LD 1799 An Act to Expand Maine's High-quality Early Learning and Care for Children by Increasing Public Preschool Opportunities in Communities.

I support expanding access to public pre-k that strengthens inclusion of family child care, centers, and Head Starts who wish to participate while supporting the needs of families because it's near impossible to get children into public pre-k because they're full. Expanding allows these children to get started on their education and become more successful.

I support aligning professional development for educators working across early childhood settings and expanding career pathways for ECE professionals because it's important that educators have a well rounded education making them versatile for different programs, education settings, etc.

Please vote in support of LD 1799,
Angela Farnsworth